

MALONE CAMPBELL ROAD FACILITY, TEXAS CITY, GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

Week ending 10/25/2015

On July 6, 2015 FOSC Zehner initiated an emergency pump down of contaminated storm at the facility which was authorized by the R6 Superfund Division Director. The initiation of emergency actions were necessary to abate the imminent and substantial threat of discharge of several hundred thousand gallons of contaminated storm water located on the Site from several multi-inch rainfalls associated with storm events that had impacted the Site. On-site disposal well WDW-138 began operations on July 6, 2015. The FOSC also authorized the operation of the additional on-site injection well WDW-73. Both injection wells (WDW-138 and WDW-73) are operational, but do have mechanical issues every week. WDW-73 had mechanical issues with the annulus pump and had little injection on October 19 and no injection on October 20. Due to recent rains, there exists approximately 5.5 million gallons of stormwater to inject. The PRPs have approximately 13.5-acres of open excavations which receive stormwater, which is approximately 710,000 gallons for a 2-inch rain event. The temporary stormwater storage impoundments cannot be at capacity because the injection wells cannot inject at a rate to manage only a 2-inch rain event; there has to be a balance between storage capacity, storm event and injection rate/volume. From October 19 through October 25, 2015, approximately 332,876 gallons have been disposed from Site units. Both wells have injected a total volume of 4,945,997 gallons since emergency response began.

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